

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

Scheduled: 9:00 AM
Started: 9:59 AM
Ended: 10:05 AM

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

HONORABLE GUSTAVO A. GELPI, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

COURTROOM DEPUTY: Sonia Cristina Cardona

DATE: May 8th, 2019

COURT REPORTER: Evilys Carrion

**CASES #: CR-16-218 (GAG)
CR-15-640 (GAG)
CR-15-781 (GAG)
CR- 16-280 (GAG)**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ATTORNEYS:

AUSA Max Perez-Bouret

VS.

[1] ALFREDO UMPIERRE-SANTIAGO¹;
[2] LUIS ANGEL GUERRIDO-MEDINA²;
[3] JUAN ROSARIO-MARRERO;
[4] STEVEN TAPIA-MORALES;
[5] ELVIN MORALES-RAMIREZ;
[6] OBRYAN HERNANDEZ-LOPEZ³;
[10] DAVID VARGAS-SANTIAGO⁴;
[11] JAHN FERMIN-CORTES;
[12] CARLOS JIMENEZ-FELIZ;
[13] JOSE REYES-NEVAREZ;
[14] GABRIEL VELEZ;
[17] STEPHANIE HERRERA-MONTANEZ;
[18] KARINA ALAMO-MARRERO;
[19] YEISHA PEDRAZA-SANTIAGO;
[21] EDMANUEL LAUREANO;
[22] ONIX NUNEZ-ALAMO;
[23] JOSUE DIAZ-TIRADO;
[24] EMILINE BAEZ-AYALA.

Rafael Castro-Lang (excused)
Thomas Trebilcock (substituted by Atty. Maldonado)
Francisco Rebollo
Jose Aguayo
Laura Maldonado
Francisco Adams (substituted by Atty. Maldonado)
Rachel Brill (substituted by Atty. Aguayo)
Ernesto Hernandez (not present)
Jorge Vega-Pacheco (substituted by Atty. Gonzalez)
Joseph Boucher
Jason Gonzalez
Lydia Lizzaribar
Javier Morales (substituted by Atty. Aguayo)
Mariangela Tirado
Marie Cortes
Maria Dominguez (substituted by Atty. Rebollo)
Julio Gil-de Lamadrid
Luis Rodriguez-Munoz (substituted by Atty. Cortes)

CASE CALLED FOR STATUS CONFERENCE:

The government informed that several defendants had changed their pleas, there are 9 defendants that have not informed if they will be going to trial and the remaining defendants are engaged in plea negotiations. The government also stated that as to defendant #22 they had

¹ Defendant #1 Alfredo Umpierre-Santiago also appears in Cr. 15-781.

² Defendant #2 Luis Angel Guerrido-Medina also appears as defendant #1 in Cr. 15-640.

³ Defendant #6 Obryan Hernandez-Lopez also appears as defendant #3 in Cr. 15-640.

⁴ Defendant #10 David Vargas-Santiago also appears in Cr. 16-280.

*Defendant #5 in Cr. 15-640 Yaritza Mojica-Ortiz is represented by Atty. Alex Rosa who was not present.

received notice that this defendant had **not** been certified for the death penalty. As to defendant #5 in related case Cr. 15-640 the government indicated that the parties were close to an agreement.

The court also noted that this case is related to cases #15-640, #15-781 and #16-280.

Further Status Conference is set for July 15th, 2019 at 9:00 AM in Old San Juan Courtroom before Judge Gustavo A. Gelpi.

The Court made a finding that the Speedy Trial remains tolled in the interest of justice which outweighs the best interest of the public and the defendants under 18 U.S.C. Sec. 3161(h)(7)(A) until the next conference.

s/ Sonia Cristina Cardona

Sonia Cristina Cardona
Courtroom Deputy Clerk